

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT**

February 20, 2025  
08:00 AM

Hearing Room C

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Zach Hudson, Chair  
Rep. Lisa Fragala, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Darin Harbick, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Sarah Finger McDonald  
Rep. Lesly Muñoz  
Rep. Boomer Wright  
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
William Best, Committee Assistant

**EXHIBITS:** Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** HB 2551 – Work Session  
HB 3027 – Work Session  
HB 3028 – Work Session  
HB 3219 – Public Hearing  
HB 2404 – Public Hearing  
HB 2997 – Public Hearing  
HB 2686 – Public Hearing

00:00:03 Meeting Called to Order  
00:00:04 Chair Hudson

00:00:42 **HB 2551 - Work Session**

00:00:43 Chair Hudson

00:01:02 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst

00:01:42 Rep. Wright

00:01:48 Meeting Recessed

00:01:52 Meeting Reconvened

00:01:55 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FRAGALA MOVES TO ADOPT THE -1  
AMENDMENTS

00:02:11 VOTE: 7-0-0

AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA,  
HARBICK, HUDSON

00:02:44 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FRAGALA MOVES HB 2551 DO PASS AS  
AMENDED

**00:02:55** VOTE: 7-0-0  
AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA,  
HARBICK, HUDSON  
CARRIER: REP. HUDSON

**00:03:24** **HB 3027 - Work Session**  
**00:03:25** Chair Hudson  
**00:03:41** Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
**00:04:25** MOTION: VICE-CHAIR HARBICK MOVES HB 3027 DO PASS AND  
SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND  
MEANS BE RESCINDED

**00:04:52** VOTE: 7-0-0  
AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA,  
HARBICK, HUDSON  
CARRIER: REP. FINGER MCDONALD

**00:05:24** **HB 3028 - Work Session**  
**00:05:27** Chair Hudson  
**00:05:30** Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst  
**00:06:10** MOTION: VICE-CHAIR HARBICK MOVES HB 3028 DO PASS  
**00:06:24** VOTE: 7-0-0  
AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA,  
HARBICK, HUDSON  
CARRIER: REP. MUÑOZ

**00:07:33** **HB 3219 - Public Hearing**  
**00:07:34** Chair Hudson  
**00:08:01** Rep. Nathanson, House District 13  
**00:13:29** Rep. Dacia Grayber, House District 28  
**00:16:31** Douglas Toomey, Director, Oregon Hazards Lab, University of Oregon  
**00:28:52** Autumn Oberhart, student, University of Oregon  
**00:31:08** Rep. Wright

**00:32:08** **HB 2404 - Public Hearing**  
**00:32:09** Chair Hudson  
**00:32:25** Rep. Bobby Levy, House District 58  
**00:35:01** Vice-Chair Fragala  
**00:38:58** Rep. Wright  
**00:40:29** Kelly Ryan, President, Eastern Oregon University  
**00:42:49** Kathleen Brown, Associate Director, Early College Initiatives, Eastern  
Oregon University  
**00:53:26** Rep. Muñoz  
**00:55:24** Tom Spoo, Principal, Hermiston High School  
**00:58:45** Sierra Dennis, student, Imbler School District  
**01:01:18** Scott Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent, La Grande School District

**01:04:21**      **HB 2997 - Public Hearing**  
**01:04:22**      Chair Hudson  
**01:04:40**      Rep. Ricki Ruiz, House District 50  
**01:07:33**      Vice-Chair Fragala  
**01:08:53**      John Chang, Executive Director, College Possible  
**01:14:55**      Rep. Muñoz  
**01:15:20**      Adan Solis Medina, student, AVID, South Albany High School  
**01:20:52**      Anthony Preciado, student, College Possible

**01:24:39**      **HB 2686 - Public Hearing**  
**01:24:40**      Chair Hudson  
**01:24:44**      Scott Lomas, Chief Strategy Officer, ReUp  
**01:31:20**      Meeting Adjourned